You are invited to participate in the workgroup phase of the Indiana Nonpoint Source Pollution Management development project for the Lake Michigan Coastal Program.

**WHEN**: Monday, December 15, 2003, from 3:30-6:30 PM CST

**WHERE:** Northwest Indiana Regional Plan Commission, 6100 Southport Road, Portage, Indiana.

WHAT: Continuation of first Workgroup Meeting efforts

WHY: The Coastal Polluted Runoff Program, also referred to as Section 6217 of the Coastal Zone Act Reauthorization Amendments of 1990 requires, as a condition of Lake Michigan Coastal Management Program approval, that Indiana develop and implement a Nonpoint Source Pollution Management Program for the Coastal Zone. The Coastal Zone Reauthorization Amendments of 1990 attempted to establish a partnership between the CZMP and the Nonpoint Source Pollution Management Program under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act.

The Lake Michigan Coastal Program in conjunction with representatives from IDEM, and Purdue University is drafting the state 6217 report. Work conducted to date includes:

- Identification of land uses threatening coastal water quality;
- Identification of nonpoint source categories and subcategories that will be addressed;
- Development of a justification for forestry exclusion;
- Identification of management measures (both voluntary and laws) to be applied to each nonpoint category and subcategory;

We respectfully request your presence at this meeting as we will be starting the Workgroup component of the work plan. The Workgroups will assist in setting Goals, Objectives, and Associated Actions to address Nonpoint source pollution within the Coastal Area. This plan will be based primarily upon existing state and federal programs. The meeting will consist of a general overview session and individual breakout discussion centered on the following four issues areas:

- Urban
- Agriculture and Forestry
- Hydromodification and Wetlands, and
- Marinas

If you have any additional questions regarding this meeting please feel free to contact Mike Molnar, Lake Michigan Coastal Program Manager, either by email at <a href="mmolnar@dnr.state.in.us">mmolnar@dnr.state.in.us</a> or phone 317-233-0132. If you would like additional information on the Coastal Nonpoint Pollution Control Plan please reference: <a href="http://www.in.gov/dnr/lakemich/issues/cprprogram.htm">http://www.in.gov/dnr/lakemich/issues/cprprogram.htm</a>